# STATEMENT OF WORK Residue Management (329 and 345) Louisiana

#### **DESIGN**

#### **Deliverables:**

The Residue Management Jobsheet, and any other planning documentation requested, shall be provided to the client that adequately describes the requirements to implement the practice. A Residue Management assessment requires:

- a. Practice purpose(s) as identified in the conservation plan (see Residue Management Jobsheet, page 1).
- b. RUSLE2 analysis. Before and after RUSLE2 reports must be generated to adequately complete page 2 of the Residue Management Jobsheet. It is encouraged that producers be required to complete the **Agronomic Record Form**. This will assist the conservation planner in preparing the RUSLE2 analysis of cultural practices. The Profile option in RUSLE2 (and not the Worksheet or Plan option) must be used to generate RUSLE2 reports. The report NRCS Profile with SCI STIR Fuel UseLandscape0806.pro.dot must be selected, as it provides a list of all cultural activities used to generate the SCI and STIR.
- c. Guidance for Operation and Maintenance (see Residue Management Jobsheet, page 1).

The producer must be given a copy of the Residue Management Jobsheet. It is highly recommended that the producer also be given a copy of the complete RUSLE2 output. The following residue management documentation will be placed in Part 5 of the NRCS 6 part folder (if part of an NRCS contract):

- 1. Residue Management Jobsheet
- 2. RUSLE2 output
- 3. Completed Agronomic Record Forms (if available).

The Residue Management Jobsheet <u>must be</u> prepared when Residue Management is planned in a Conservation Plan.

## **INSTALLATION**

## **Deliverables**

- a. A pre-implementation conference should be held with the client to review the Residue Management Jobsheet. The cultural practices in the RUSLE2 output should be also be reviewed with the producer. (Remember, the cultural practices in the RUSLE 2 report are what we are expecting the producer to carry out. Any substantial deviation from these practices should be addressed and a new RUSLE2 report generated).
- b. If modifications are needed, they should be completed at this time.

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### **CHECKOUT**

### **Deliverables**

Once residue management operations have been carried out in accordance with the Jobsheet and RUSLE2 reports, the following information must be collected for practice certification:

- 1. Photographs clearly showing the amount and distribution of residue in the field
- 2. A residue transect must be conducted for each field being reviewed (see Residue Management Specifications for guidance)
- 3. Field reviews should be conducted at the appropriate time. Depending on the crops grown and the Residue Management system planned, these times will differ. For most crops, however, transects should be completed immediately following planting activities or, for Residue Management-Seasonal, just prior to the first soil disturbing activity at the end of the practice. Conservation planners must use good judgment in determining when to conduct transects for practice certification. If any questions should arise, the State Conservation Agronomist should be contacted for assistance.

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